1 2 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 3 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 4 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION 5 6 MARC OPPERMAN, et al., Case No.: 13-cv-00453-JST 7 Plaintiffs, **CLASS ACTION** 8 JOINT CASE MANAGEMENT v. **STATEMENT** 9 PATH, INC., et al., THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO ALL 10 Defendants. CASES: 11 Hernandez v. Path, Inc., No. 12-cv-1515-JST Pirozzi v. Apple, Inc., No. 12-cv-1529-JST 12 Gutierrez v. Instagram, Inc., No. 12-cv-6550-JST 13 DATE: August 1, 2013 14 TIME: 10:00 a.m. COURTROOM: 9 15 JUDGE: Hon. Jon S. Tigar 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(f), Civil Local Rule 16-9, and the Court's

1 2 docket entry Order dated July 1, 2013 (Opperman Dkt. No. 345), the undersigned counsel for 3 Plaintiffs and Defendants in the above-captioned Related Actions hereby submit this Joint Case Management Statement. In addition, pursuant to this Court's instruction during the June 21, 4 5 2013 Case Management Conference, the Parties may appear for the August 1, 2013 Case Management Conference and all future Case Management Conferences telephonically without 6

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I. **BRIEFING SCHEDULE AND PAGE LIMITS**

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A. The Parties' Position on Briefing Schedule for Responding to Plaintiffs' Consolidated Amended Complaint

The Parties propose the following alteration to Civil Local Rule 7-3: (a) the time to respond to Plaintiffs' consolidated amended complaint will be extended to 45 days from filing and service; (b) the time to oppose any motion to dismiss the consolidated amended complaint will be extended to 45 days from filing and service; and (c) the time to file a reply to any motion to dismiss the consolidated amended complaint will be extended to 30 days from filing and service. Because Defendants have not provided Plaintiffs with proposed page limits for their respective motions, Plaintiffs cannot provide the Court with proposed page limits, but request any page limits be commensurate with Defendants'.

Defendants' Position on Revised Page Limits for Responding to В. Plaintiffs' Consolidated Amended Complaint

Without knowing what claims Plaintiffs intend to assert in their Consolidated Amended Complaint or the identities of the Defendants against whom those claims are asserted, Defendants are unable to estimate page limits for consolidated briefing on motions to dismiss. Upon being served with the Consolidated Amended Complaint, Defendants will meet and confer with Plaintiffs to attempt to agree on proposed page limitations with the objective of submitting a stipulation to the Court. If the parties are unable to reach agreement on page limits within seven days of the filing of the Consolidated Amended Complaint, Defendants will file a miscellaneous administrative request to set briefing page limits. Defendants anticipate the following defendants (the "Application Developer Defendants") will file a consolidated brief in support of their motions to dismiss: Gowalla, Inc., ZeptoLab UK Limited, Path, Inc., Twitter, Inc., Instagram, Inc., Kik Interactive, Inc., Foursquare Labs, Inc., Electronic Arts, Inc., Chillingo, Inc., Rovio Entertainment Ltd., Foodspotting, and Yelp!. Several Defendants, including Electronic Arts, Chillingo, ZeptoLab, Rovio, and Gowalla, also anticipate filing a joint supplemental brief that seeks dismissal on the ground that plaintiffs consented to any alleged accessing of their address book data. To the extent Apple remains a defendant in the case, it anticipates filing a separate brief to address allegations that are unique to it. To the extent the Consolidated Amended Complaint continues to assert successor-liability and/or aiding-and-abetting theories of liability against Facebook, Facebook will submit a separate brief addressing those allegations. In addition, Kik Interactive, Inc. anticipates filing a motion to dismiss for lack of personal jurisdiction.

II. LEADERSHIP PROPOSALS

A. Plaintiffs' Position

Counsel for Plaintiffs in each of the above-captioned Related Actions have agreed to coordinate their efforts under a unified leadership structure in order to efficiently prosecute the Related Actions. Plaintiffs submitted a proposed stipulation to the Court on July 25, 2013 (*Opperman* Dkt. No. 352) with said proposed leadership structure.

B. <u>Defendants' Positions</u>

The Application Developer Defendants (all of whom are parties to the *Opperman* matter) do not believe there is need for the appointment of lead defense counsel. Defense counsel have been working together effectively for over sixteen months without a designated leader. For each substantive motion, one firm takes the lead on briefing, and one attorney argues the motion without repetitive argument from others. For any given motion, however, the identity of that lead firm changes, as Defendants attempt to share fairly the burden of defense, both financial and logistical.

Unlike Plaintiffs' counsel, who jointly seek to represent the interests of the entire class, each defense firm represents only its own client or clients, and thus there is no need for a leadership structure to make decisions or "break ties" as to each client's interests.

Moreover, the logistical burden of coordinating over a dozen firms and clients is significant, and it would be unfair to place that burden and cost on a single firm throughout the litigation. We therefore propose that, until and unless the Court perceives a problem with the existing structure, there is no need to designate a "lead" defense firm.

To the extent the Court is concerned that communicating with multiple defense counsel would burden Court personnel, each of the undersigned defense counsel undertakes to serve as a "point person" whenever contacted by the Court.

Finally, Apple does not support a formal defense structure as to the claims against Apple, which are distinct from the claims against the Application Developer Defendants.

III. DISCOVERY ISSUES

A. Plaintiffs' Position

Plaintiffs in the *Hernandez* action previously entered into a stipulated protective order with Defendant Path, Inc. (*Hernandez* Dkt. No. 40). The Court approved the stipulated protective order on November 27, 2012. Plaintiffs in all Related Actions are agreeable to the terms of the *Hernandez* stipulated protective order and have notified all Defendants of their willingness to stipulate to the same. The parties have not yet come to an agreement on Plaintiffs' proposal.

Plaintiffs have begun discussions regarding a proposed ESI protocol for all Related Actions and will continue to work on finding consensus on the same.

B. Opperman Plaintiffs Additional Position—Necessary Discovery If Defendant(s) Raise Consent Defenses Via Preliminary Motions

Should any Defendant seek dismissal on the ground that Plaintiffs consented to any manipulation of their mobile device address book, Plaintiffs believe that commensurate discovery will be appropriate under the Court's Order dated July 1, 2013, and that Plaintiffs

further will be entitled to assert cross-motions for denial of that affirmative defense as a matter of

and a proposed ESI protocol but believe such discussions should take place (if at all) only after

the Court has ruled on Defendants' motions to dismiss Plaintiffs' forthcoming Consolidated

Amended Complaint, which the Court ordered Plaintiffs to file within 10 days of the Court's

ruling on Apple's Motion to Dismiss with prejudice the Second Amended Complaint in the

Pirozzi action. Once those discussions take place, Defendants will meet and confer with

Plaintiffs to modify the *Hernandez* protective order (if appropriate) to, inter alia, add a

designation for "Plaintiff counsels' eyes only" that would restrict commercially sensitive

information produced by one defendant from being shared with counsel for other defendants.

Defendants also believe a Rule 26(f) conference is premature until after the Court has ruled on

prepared to file a Consolidated Amended Complaint within ten (10) days following the Court's

issuance of a decision on Apple, Inc.'s motion to dismiss the *Pirozzi* action.

Pursuant to this Court's July 1, 2013 Order (Opperman Dkt. No. 345), Plaintiffs will be

Defendants are prepared to meet and confer with Plaintiffs on a suitable protective order

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C. Defendants' Positions

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IV. CONSOLIDATED AMENDED COMPLAINT

Defendants' anticipated motions to dismiss.

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